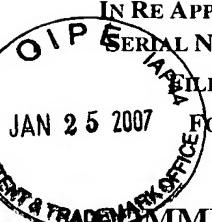


## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



IN RE APPLICATION OF: M. KIRST

SERIAL NO.: 10/523,928

FILED: Oct. 17, 2005

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FOR: Apparatus for determining and/or monitoring a physical or chemical quantity (as amended)

GROUP ART UNIT: 2863

EXAMINER: T. S. Lau

ATTY. REFERENCE: KIRS3001/FJD

## COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450*Sir:*

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.  
 No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

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 A check in the amount of \$ 150 is attached.  
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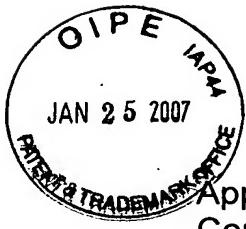
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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The following amendments and corresponding remarks are being submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 in response to the Office Action of October 25, 2006.

Amendments to the specification begin on the attached page having the heading "Amendments to the Specification".

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on the attached page having the heading "Amendments to the Claims".

Amendments to the abstract begin on the attached page having the heading "Amendments to the Abstract".